

Delmarva Agricultural Data

Weekly Broiler Chicks Data

PLACEMENTS UP 2%

For the week ending December 13, 2014, growers placed 11.9 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 1.8% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.5 million) increased 2.9% from the comparable week in 2013. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.9 million, an increase of 4.9% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 10.7 million for the week ending December 6, 2014 compared to 10.7 million slaughtered during the same week in 2013.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/ PREVIOUS YR CURRENT YR		**CHICKS HATCHED 1/ PREVIOUS YR CURRENT YR		CHICKS PLACED 2/ PREVIOUS YR CURRENT YR	
----- THOUSANDS -----						
10/18/2014	12,901	13,145	10,255	11,160	11,129	11,392
10/25/2014	13,239	13,792	10,592	10,834	10,476	11,509
11/01/2014	13,061	13,583	11,094	10,971	11,335	11,403
11/08/2014	13,055	13,665	10,579	10,755	11,118	10,766
11/15/2014	13,390	13,898	10,886	11,381	11,702	11,507
11/22/2014	13,555	13,928	10,758	11,253	11,478	11,925
11/29/2014	13,221	13,835	10,737	11,321	11,637	11,526
12/06/2014	13,359	13,947	9,981	11,492	10,546	12,282
12/13/2014	13,294	13,945	11,200	11,529	11,727	11,936

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

**Starting the week ending January 3, 2015, NASS will not be publishing hatched data.

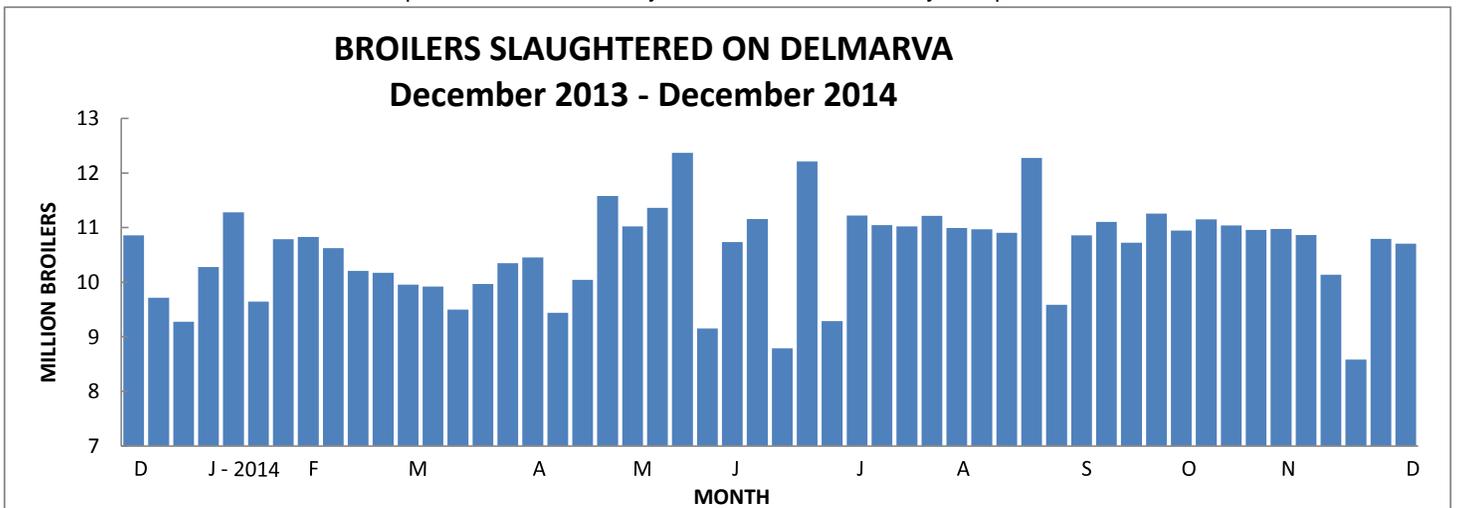
Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers;

Prices in cents per pound 1/

	WEEK ENDING 12/13/2014	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	99.34	104.38	105.86	96.55
National Composite Weighted Avg.	97.18	101.32	104.02	94.89

1/ Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; www.ams.usda.gov/pymnhomepage

**The Weekly Final Broiler/Fryer report has been discontinued. The weighted average prices are now published on the Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report.



Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	November 8, 2014	November 15, 2014	November 22, 2014	November 29, 2014	December 6, 2014	December 13, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	26,971	28,364	28,637	28,456	28,560	28,714
Arkansas	20,775	22,378	22,339	21,509	22,102	21,961
Delaware	4,707	4,738	4,765	4,688	4,778	4,747
Florida	1,224	1,224	1,223	1,224	1,223	1,223
Georgia	33,952	35,156	34,406	35,094	34,283	33,915
Kentucky	7,253	7,813	7,927	7,670	7,892	7,915
Louisiana	3,651	3,772	3,741	3,726	3,710	3,834
Maryland	7,688	7,890	7,893	7,876	7,900	7,929
Mississippi	16,869	17,666	18,025	18,009	17,395	17,952
Missouri	7,647	8,269	8,297	8,299	8,329	8,356
North Carolina	21,048	21,161	21,340	21,253	20,840	21,011
Oklahoma	6,618	6,704	6,608	6,834	6,347	6,682
Pennsylvania	4,356	4,445	4,501	4,322	4,601	4,469
South Carolina	5,134	5,498	5,665	5,551	5,242	5,177
Texas	13,466	14,801	14,962	15,439	14,095	14,593
Virginia	6,348	6,447	6,476	6,758	6,120	6,507
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	11,571	12,242	12,301	13,075	10,850	10,773
19 State total	199,278	208,568	209,106	209,783	204,267	205,758
Percent of previous year	104	103	104	104	102	102
Other States	7,888	8,239	8,212	8,188	8,251	8,187
United States	207,166	216,807	217,318	217,971	212,518	213,945
Percent of previous year	104	103	104	104	102	102

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 13, 2014, up 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 13, 2014, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States and United States: 2014

State	Week ending					
	November 8, 2014	November 15, 2014	November 22, 2014	November 29, 2014	December 6, 2014	December 13, 2014
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	20,949	20,959	19,869	20,889	21,917	22,623
Arkansas	19,034	18,343	19,647	18,541	20,756	20,086
Delaware	4,304	4,989	5,292	3,806	5,714	5,363
Florida	1,106	1,343	1,232	1,456	1,311	1,487
Georgia	26,068	26,179	24,648	25,820	27,178	26,065
Kentucky	5,779	5,775	5,904	6,426	5,940	6,639
Louisiana	2,959	3,095	3,116	3,133	3,366	3,339
Maryland	5,745	5,955	5,963	6,818	6,174	6,218
Mississippi	14,561	14,657	13,595	13,974	14,797	14,962
Missouri	5,695	5,798	4,974	5,501	5,308	5,629
North Carolina	15,948	16,685	16,258	16,295	15,639	17,145
Oklahoma	3,464	3,944	3,928	4,482	4,216	4,521
Pennsylvania	3,656	3,220	3,532	3,914	3,999	3,892
South Carolina	3,720	4,458	4,667	4,746	5,558	5,080
Texas	11,492	11,963	11,811	11,110	11,889	11,955
Virginia	5,314	5,816	5,143	5,650	4,806	5,094
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	10,186	9,870	10,389	10,695	11,639	10,619
19 State total	159,980	163,049	159,968	163,256	170,207	170,717
Percent of previous year	103	101	102	103	102	103
Other States	5,934	5,779	5,591	5,850	6,322	6,086
United States	165,914	168,828	165,559	169,106	176,529	176,803
Percent of previous year	103	101	102	103	103	103

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 13, 2014, up 3 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 13, 2014, up 3 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2013 through December 13, 2014 for the United States were 8.58 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.